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It was a solemn crowd that gathered recently in Westland City Hall to mark the dedication of two memorial plaques for deceased firefighters.

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Inkster beating victim receives $1.37 million

The City of Inkster will pay Floyd Dent $1.37 million in damages following his brutal beating by a police officer during a traffic stop last January that drew national attention.

Interim Police Chief Joseph Thomas, Jr. said that he felt the award was fair and a step in putting the incident behind the police department, the city and all those people involved.

"It was an incident that everyone wishes had not happened," Thomas said. He said that both the City Treasurer Mark Stuhldreher and the city attorneys should be commended for the way they negotiated the settlement.

"Mr. Dent and his attorney, Gregory Rohl, were also humanistic in their approach to this.

> *It was an incident that everyone wishes had not happened... This is a win-win in a losing situation.*

They know the city of Inkster doesn't have a lot of money," Thomas said. "This is a win-win in a losing situation."

Thomas, who has been with the department only about a month, said he was surprised by the reception he's received.

"I didn't expect a lot of push-back, but I didn't expect this level of cooperation, either," he said.

Thomas replaced former chief Vickie Yost who resigned April 22 in the immediate aftermath of misconduct in office, mistreatment of a prisoner and assault charges filed against one Inkster officer and the suspension of two others in the Dent incident. Thomas added that he felt the department "has done due diligence" in the investigation of the beating incident.

"People expect us to hold our officers accountable and that is what we will do. But we are not on any witch hunt, here. These officers are people, too. We have mothers, fathers, grandmothers who work in this department. They are good people who do their jobs well. They are good police officers and we don't want them painted with a broad brush," he said.

The new chief said he came to the department with an open attitude and one of listening to what the officers had to tell him and to say.

"We have standards, rules, regulations and we want the officers who do their job every day and do it well to know that we will stand behind them and compliment them when they do their jobs well.

"But we have also sent a

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Plymouth community mourns Margaret Dunning

Margaret Dunning, 104, a beloved figure in Plymouth, died last Sunday, May 17 while in Santa Barbara, California, after suffering injuries in an accidental fall.

Mrs. Dunning was renown throughout the community for her kindness, intelligence and generosity. She was a friend to many throughout southeast Michigan and was the founder and benefactor of the Plymouth Historical Museum.

"Once in a person's life can one meet, and have as a friend, a lovely woman who will impact you in so many ways with her vitality, love of people, pride in her community, and dedication to causes.

"Margaret was truly caring, down to earth, unpretentious and giving of her time. The board, staff, volunteers, and Friends of the Plymouth Historical Museum will feel the loss of her presence for years to come.

"She has counted among her friends the world, celebrities, rajas and us. How privileged we have been for the opportunity to know Margaret.

"We will dearly miss her–our friend, our adviser, and our mentor.," said Janet Burns of the Plymouth Historical Museum.

Margaret Dunning exhibited her perfectly restored 1930 Packard 740 Roadster in auto shows across the country until her death this week.

Ms. Dunning was born June 26, 1910 the daughter of Charles and Bessie Dunning, on a farm at Plymouth Road and Telegraph in Redford Township. She would have celebrated her 105th birthday next month.

Her father taught her to steer his Model T when she was 8 and she ran "smack into the barn." She was 12 when he died and she got her driver's license and his Model T. became her first car. She and her mother moved to the home on Penniman Avenue where Ms. Dunning continued to reside.

She graduated from Plymouth High School in 1929 and attended the University of Michigan for 2 years before the Great Depression forced her to leave college to help her mother in the family-owned bank where she started at the bottom rung, as a teller.

Ms. Dunning volunteered in Plymouth's Red Cross motor pool during World War II, driving a truck. In 1947, she purchased Goldstein's Apparel on Main Street in downtown Plymouth, renaming it Dunning's Department Store. She sold her business in 1968 and became a community philanthropist.

From 1962 to 1984, Ms. Dunning served on the board of Community Federal Credit Union, including 19 years as president. During her tenure, the Credit Union increased its

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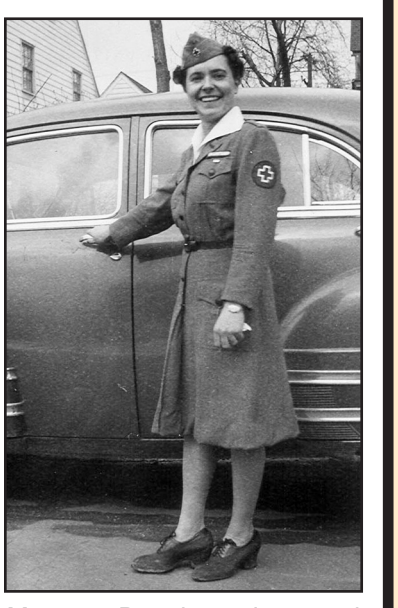

Margaret Dunning volunteered in Plymouth's Red Cross motor pool during World War II.

Township recall group to end efforts next week

An announcement of the end of the recall effort against three Plymouth Township officials is expected next week.

Sandy Groth, one of the organizers of the recall effort, said that while the group was able to collect 15,000 signatures from residents in favor of the recall ballot question, they were not able to collect the signatures within the time allotted by election law.

"Unfortunately, we weren't able to get the required number of signatures per candidate in any one 60-day period, but we knew going in we had an uphill battle," she said.

The recall was aimed at Township Treasurer Ron Edwards, Township Clerk Nancy Conzelman and Trustee Kay Arnold. Former Supervisor Richard Reaume was also the target of the recall effort but resigned his office and moved to Florida before the signature deadline.

> *We haven't gone away. We need to focus on what we accomplished. We're tired. But we're not gone.*

Groth said that she felt that the recall effort accomplished a great deal in the time the activists attempted to obtain the signatures. She said the group collected about 3,700 signatures per official.

"We stood together and refused to allow our elected officials to conquer and divide us," she said. "We found common ground, things we believe in that we can continue to speak for and fight for," she added.

Groth said she was very proud of the number of volunteers who put in so many hours collecting signatures, people who went out in inclement weather and were tireless in their efforts to "help change township government."

Groth said the group, Plymouth Township United Citizens, will be changing focus and will be working on keeping residents informed about the 2016 elections. The group will maintain the PAC bank account and continue to use the funds they collected in efforts to educate voters about candidates and issues in the election next year.

"We haven't gone away," she said. "We need to focus on what we accomplished. We had the opportunity to educate citizens. That's huge. It's a really big accomplishment," she said.

"We're tired. But we're not gone," she added.

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CANTON

On the job

Canton Township Deputy Fire Chief Chris Stoecklein, left, welcomed new firefighter/paramedics Samuel Wieland and Gregory Derby to the department after they took their oaths of office from Township Clerk Terry Bennett last week. Fire Chief Josh Meier, right, congratulated the new firefighters who be required to successfully complete three months of mentored orientation and training prior to being on an assigned shift. The new firefighters will be on probation for one year while they complete an extensive training program, Stoecklein said.

Coffee With A Cop served

Canton Township residents can enjoy Coffee with a Cop from 10 a.m. until noon June 5 at Sky Zone Indoor Trampoline Park.

The Coffee with a Cop sessions are open to the public and provide a unique opportunity for community members to ask questions and questions and learn more about the police department work in Canton neighborhoods and business districts.

The majority of contacts law enforcement has with the public happen during emergencies or stressful situations and those are not the most effective times for relationship building, a spokesperson said. Coffee with a Cop breaks down barriers and allows for relaxed one-on-one interaction, he added.

The Canton Police Department will host multiple sessions throughout the community this year. Any business or organization interested in hosting a 2-hour session of Coffee with a Cop contact the police department at (734) 394-5401.

Requirements to host a session of Coffee with a Cop include having a Canton location that is open to the public and providing coffee for those who attend.

Sky Zone is located at 42550 Executive Dr. Children will be permitted to jump on the trampolines under staff supervision during the event for $5.

Lifesavers are honored

The Canton Board of Trustees recognized several Canton Leisure Services staff members at the May 12 board meeting for their recent life-saving rescues at the Summit on the Park.

Canton Supervisor Phil LaJoy presented 20 Canton Leisure Services staff with official board resolutions that recognized their dedication to duty, outstanding service, life-saving actions and commendable contribution to the Canton community.

Three groups of responders were honored for performing life-saving measures for incidents that occurred in early 2015:

On Jan. 31, lifeguard Collin Hurley observed a patron in the water of the lap pool not moving and in obvious distress. Hurley immediately responded by blowing his whistle which activated the emergency action plan, then jumped into the water to begin the rescue.

Working together, the lifeguard team of Sorin Oprican, Jordan Anheuser, Nathan Hall, Hurley, Grant Kurili, Lilly Lepper, Levi Lowder, Alex Petrarca, and Elizabeth Wiessner dialed 911, assessed the victim's condition, evacuated all pools, provided emergency equipment, and performed two and a half cycles of CPR on the victim who regained consciousness prior to Canton Fire EMS arriving on the scene.

Because of the team's quick actions and ability to apply their lifesaving skills, the life of the Summit guest was saved, according to township reports of the incident.

On Feb.10, Lifeguard Lindsey Bessinger observed a patron in the water at the Summit Aquatics north river area who appeared to be losing consciousness and in obvious distress.

Bessinger immediately responded by activating the emergency action plan, then jumped into the water to begin the rescue. The team of Sorin Oprican, Lindsey Bessinger, Kaylin Huber, John Kukulka, Connor Osborn, and Lisa Ryan simultaneously pulled the victim out of the water and dialed 911. They then assessed the victim's condition and observed the guest was breathing and had a pulse. Additionally, they evacuated all pools and provided emergency equipment per established department protocol until the Canton Fire EMS arrived and took over.

On March 27, Summit Building Attendant Stephen Robb responded to the Arts II Room for a guest in need of medical attention, and he initiated the emergency action plan.

Simultaneously a 911 call was made, lifeguard assistance was requested, and all pool areas were evacuated. Upon arrival of the lifeguards, the victim was slumped over a table with no detectable pulse. Working together, the team of Sorin Oprican, Avalon Dewaele, Rachel Hughesdon, Charles Joyce, Hannah Maxam, David Rowe, and Lisa Ryan performed CPR and applied the Automatic External Defibrillator, which indicated a shock was necessary. The shock was administered and CPR was resumed until the victim began breathing on his own prior to the arrival of the Canton Fire EMS. Because of this team's quick actions, ability to assess the need for CPR and an AED, and performance of their lifesaving skills, the life of the Summit guest was saved, according to township reports of the incident.

"I am proud of these dedicated staff members who uphold our mission of providing a safe environment for all of our guests in all of our facilities" said Debra Bilbrey-Honsowetz, director of Canton Leisure Services. "These individuals represent the best in public service and I could not have asked for better responses from our staff."

Canton Leisure Services has been recognized for excellence in the field of parks and recreation management by receiving re-accreditation in 2013 and remains one of only 136 agencies in the country currently holding national accreditation from the Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA). For more information about Canton Leisure Services, call (734) 394-5360 or visit www.cantonfun.org.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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Canton, MI 48188
(734) 394-5260

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
2015 ANNUAL PLAN
PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The above named document for the Canton Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) is available for inspection at the Finance Department, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, 734-394-5225, during regular business hours. Comments on the **2015 ANNUAL PLAN** will be accepted for 30 days, beginning May 21, 2015. Comments received during the public comment period will be forwarded to the Department of HUD and will become an addendum to the report.

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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings – May 12, 2015

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, May 12, 2015 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor LaJoy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call** Members Present: Anthony, Bennett, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Sneideman, Williams Yack Members Absent: None Staff Present: Director Bilbrey-Honsowetz, Director Faas, Director Mutchler, Director Trumbull, Jon LaFever, Brad Chiasson, Jennifer Girard **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Bennett, supported by Anthony to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. **Approval of Minutes** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to approve the Board Minutes of April 28, 2015 as presented. Motion carried unanimously. **RECOGNITION: Summit on the Park Staff Recognition** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to approve the following three resolutions and enter them into the public record. Motion carried unanimously. FIRST RESOLUTION: RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON AQUATIC COORDINATOR: SORIN OPRICAN LIFEGUARDS: JORDAN ANHEUSER NATHAN HALL COLLIN HURLEY GRANT KURILI LILLY LEPPER LEVI LOWDER ALEX PETRARCA ELIZABETH WIESSNER **Whereas,** in acknowledgement of National Water Safety Awareness Month, the Leisure Services Department recognizes the importance of trained lifeguard staff and their valuable service in upholding our mission of providing a safe environment for all guests. **Whereas,** on January 31, 2015, Lifeguard Collin Hurley observed a patron in the water of the lap pool not moving and in obvious distress. Collin immediately responded by blowing his whistle which activated the emergency action plan, then jumped into the water to begin the rescue. **Whereas,** working cohesively together, the lifeguard team of Sorin Oprican, Jordan Anheuser, Nathan Hall, Collin Hurley, Grant Kurili, Lilly Lepper, Levi Lowder, Alex Petrarca, and Elizabeth Wiessner dialed 911, assessed the victim's condition, evacuated all pools, provided emergency equipment, and performed two and a half cycles of CPR on the victim who regained consciousness prior to Canton Fire EMS arriving on the scene. **Whereas,** because of this team's quick actions and ability to apply their lifesaving skills, the life of the Summit guest was saved. **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton upon recommendation of the Director of Leisure Services, does hereby recognize these Leisure Services employees for their outstanding service, life-saving actions and commendable contribution to the Canton Community. SECOND RESOLUTION: RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON AQUATIC COORDINATOR: SORIN OPRICAN LIFEGUARDS: LINDSEY BESSINGER, KAYLIN HUBER, JOHN KUKULKA, CONNOR OSBORN, LISA RYAN **Whereas,** in acknowledgement of National Water Safety Awareness Month, the Leisure Services Department recognizes the importance of trained lifeguard staff and their valuable service in upholding our mission of providing a safe environment for all guests. **Whereas,** on February 10, 2015, Lifeguard Lindsey Bessinger observed a patron in the water at the Summit Aquatics north river area who appeared to be losing consciousness and in obvious distress. Lindsey immediately responded by blowing her whistle which activated the emergency action plan, then jumped into the water to begin the rescue. **Whereas,** working cohesively together, the lifeguard team of Sorin Oprican, Lindsey Bessinger, Kaylin Huber, John Kukulka, Connor Osborn, and Lisa Ryan simultaneously pulled the victim out of the water and dialed 911. They then assessed the victim's condition and observed guest was breathing and had a pulse. Additionally, they evacuated all pools and provided emergency equipment per established department protocol until the Canton Fire EMS arrived and took over. **Whereas,** because of this team's quick actions and ability to apply their lifesaving skills, the Summit guest in need received the necessary care to prevent injury. **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton upon recommendation of the Director of Leisure Services, does hereby recognize these Leisure Services employees for their outstanding service, life-saving actions and commendable contribution to the Canton Community. THIRD RESOLUTION: RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BUILDING ATTENDANT: STEPHEN ROBB AQUATIC COORDINATOR: SORIN OPRICAN LIFEGUARDS: AVALON DEWAELE, RACHEL HUGHESDON, CHARLES JOYCE, HANNAH MAXAM, DAVID ROWE, LISA RYAN **Whereas,** the Leisure Services Department recognizes the importance of having trained staff to handle emergency situations and uphold our mission of providing a safe environment for all guests. **Whereas,** on March 27, 2015, Summit Building Attendant Stephen Robb responded to the Arts II Room for a guest in need of medical attention, and he initiated the emergency action plan. Simultaneously a 911 call was made, lifeguard assistance was requested, and all pool areas were evacuated. Upon lifeguards' arrival, the victim was slumped over a table with no detectable pulse. **Whereas,** working cohesively together, the lifeguard team of Sorin Oprican, Avalon Dewaele, Rachel Hughesdon, Charles Joyce, Hannah Maxam, David Rowe, and Lisa Ryan performed CPR and applied the Automatic External Defibrillator, which indicated a shock was necessary. The shock was administered and CPR was resumed until the victim began breathing on his own prior to the arrival of the Canton Fire EMS. **Whereas,** because of this team's quick actions, ability to assess the need for CPR and an AED, and performance of their lifesaving skills, the life of the Summit guest was saved. **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton upon recommendation of the Director of Leisure Services, does hereby recognize these Leisure Services employees for their outstanding service, life-saving actions and commendable contribution to the Canton Community. **Citizen's Non-Agenda Item Comments:** Trustee Williams stated there are no restrictions for children/minors to acquire the E-Cigarettes materials, vaporizers and 0-nicotine liquid. He feels the township should look into restricting these materials via ordinance. Supervisor LaJoy agreed and will have our township attorney look into this. **Payment of Bills**: Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Sneideman to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously. **PUBLIC HEARING: Approval of 2015 CDBG Program Year and Annual Action Plan. (FBD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to open the public hearing open at 7:15 p.m. to hear comment on the Advisory Council recommendations for the PY 2015 Community Development Block Grant Program. There were no Board Comments or Public Comments. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to close the public hearing at 7:18 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to accept the recommendations of the Canton CDBG Advisory Council for the PY 2015 Community Development Block Grant Program and to forward the adopted program to the Department of H.U.D. as the Canton PY 2015 Final Statement: First Step - $15,000; Neighborhood Legal Services- $13,000; Wayne-Metro CAA - $15,000; Growth Works - $1,500;Summit Scholarships - $1,500; Tutoring Services (At-Risk Youth)- $3,615; Program Administration - $66,153; Housing Rehabilitation - $125,000; ADA Projects - $65,000; Partnership for the Arts - $ 75,000 TOTAL: $380,768 **CONSENT CALENDAR: Item C-1. Consider Approval To Provide Audio And Lighting Services For The 2015 Liberty Festival. (CLS)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to authorize the agreement with TLQ Sound Service, 15530 Winston, Redford MI 48239 in the amount of $5,250 for sound and lighting for the 2015 Liberty Festival. Motion carried unanimously. **GENERAL CALENDAR: Item G-1. Consider Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with Wayne County for Road Improvements on Beck Road from Warren to Joy Roads. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the intergovernmental agreement with Wayne County for Road Improvements to Beck Road from Warren to Joy Road as provided in the model resolutions. Motion carried unanimously. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Motion by Bennett, Support by McLaughlin, that **Whereas,** the Canton Township believes quality roads are a vital part of any community, and **Whereas,** certain improvements are necessary to Beck Road to increase traffic safety and to encourage economic development, and **Whereas,** the Canton Township has committed to the reconstruction of the road in an area generally described as Beck Road from Warren to Ann Arbor Trail and that Canton Township will assist financially in the reconstruction of the road within its TOWNSHIP limits, and **Whereas,** the Canton Township will provide payment to the County of Wayne in the estimated amount of $50,192 (which will be adjusted to reflect actual costs), as Canton Township's participation of Project Costs; and **Whereas,** upon execution of this Agreement by the TOWNSHIP**,** the Canton Township will provide a Working Capital Advance to the County of Wayne in the amount of $ 25,096 as fifty percent (50%) of Canton Township's participation (as found in Exhibit A to this Agreement) of Project Cost; and **Now, therefore be it resolved,** that the Charter Township of Canton board of Trustees does hereby approve the proposed Agreement between the Canton Township and the County of Wayne for the reconstruction of Beck Road from Warren to Ann Arbor Trail, and **Be it further resolved,** that the Supervisor and Clerk are authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Charter Township of Canton. YEAS: 7 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTAIN: 0. I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the board of supervisors of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, Michigan, at a meeting held on May 12, 2015. __Terry G. Bennett, Charter Township of Canton Clerk RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Motion by , Support by , that **Whereas,** the Plymouth Township believes quality roads are a vital part of any community, and **Whereas,** certain improvements are necessary to Beck Road to increase traffic safety and to encourage economic development, and **Whereas,** the Plymouth Township has committed to the reconstruction of the road in an area generally described as Beck Road from Warren to Ann Arbor Trail and that Plymouth Township will assist financially in the reconstruction of the road within its limits, and **Whereas,** the Plymouth Township will provide payment to the County of Wayne in the estimated amount of $66,533 (which will be adjusted to reflect actual costs), as Plymouth Township's participation of Project Costs; and **Whereas,** upon execution of this Agreement by the TOWNSHIP**,** the Plymouth Township will provide a Working Capital Advance to the County of Wayne in the amount of $ 33,267 as fifty percent (50%) of Plymouth Township's participation (as found in Exhibit A to this Agreement) of Project Cost; and **Now, therefore be it resolved,** that the Charter Township of Plymouth Board of Trustees does hereby approve the proposed Agreement between the Plymouth Township and the County of Wayne for the reconstruction of Beck Road from Warren to Ann Arbor Trail, and **Be it further resolved,** that the Supervisor and Clerk are authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Charter Township of Plymouth. YEAS: NAYS: ABSENT: ABSTAIN: I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the board of supervisors of the Charter Township of Plymouth, County of Wayne, Michigan, at a meeting held on RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON By Commissioner[s] [ ] **WHEREAS**, the County of Wayne acting through its County Commission at the request of the County Executive Officer has adopted a five (5) year Capital Improvement Program which provides for the improvement of certain roads located within the County of Wayne and the financing thereof. **WHEREAS**, the five (5) year Capital Improvement Program included the improvements to Beck Road from Warren to Ann Arbor Trail (CIP ID 30-276) and was included in the annual budget adopted by this Commission. **NOW THEREFORE**, be it: **RESOLVED,** by the Wayne County Commission this day of ___ 2015 that approval be, and is hereby, granted authorizing an Agreement between the County of Wayne, Canton Township, and Plymouth Township to provide for cost sharing in the reconstruction of Beck Road from Warren to Ann Arbor Trail, as recommended by the Chief Executive Officer, the costs for which are estimated at $7,327,346 (which will be adjusted to reflect actual costs), and which shall be expended from Account 201.44908.818080, 201.44908.702000; and be it further **RESOLVED,** that the Canton Township and Plymouth Township will provide payment to the County of Wayne in the amount of a combined total of $116,725 (which will be adjusted to reflect actual costs), which represents the estimated amount of the Canton Township and Plymouth Township's participation in the Project Costs (as found in Exhibit A to this Agreement) which shall be deposited in Account No. 201.44905.583340; and be it further **RESOLVED,** that the Michigan Department of Transportation will provide Federal Aid in the amount of $5,768,497 (which will be adjusted to reflect actual costs), and the Chief Executive Officer is authorized to negotiate and execute the appropriate agreement to facilitate this funding which shall be deposited in Account No. 201.44905.548100; and be it further **RESOLVED,** that the Chief Executive Officer be, and is hereby duly authorized to execute the aforementioned contract on behalf of the County of Wayne. Director Faas explained this covers Canton's share of the sidewalk component of this project. Treasurer McLaughlin asked if the sidewalks will be on both sides of Beck Road from Warren to Joy. Director Faas replied the sidewalk will only be on the east side of Beck. There were questions regarding exactly where the sidewalk will stop as it gets closer to Colony Swim Club and Plymouth High School, Director Faas agreed to verify the exact location of the sidewalk and get back to the board. **Item G-2. Consider First Reading Of Code Of Ordinance Amendments To Part II, Chapter 78 Entitled "BUILDING AND BUILDING REGULATIONS", Article IV Entitled "EXTERIOR CONCRETE", Sections 78-91 to 78-96. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to introduce for first reading an ordinance which amends the Township Code of Ordinance, Part II, Chapter 78 Entitled "Buildings and Building Regulations", Article IV entitled "Exterior Concrete", Sections78-91 to 78-96; and. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to table for consideration the proposed text amendment to the Township Code of Ordinance and schedule a second reading on May 26, 2015. Motion carried unanimously. Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the Clerk's Office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI., 48188, during regular business hours. **Item G-3.Consider Approval of 2015 Fees for the Municipal Services and Clerk's Department. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the 2015 fee schedule for the Municipal Services/Clerk's Department to be effective on/or before July 1, 2015. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-4.Consider Increase Of Purchase Order No. 2014-2379 To Stantec Consulting Inc. For Easement Drawing and Acquisition for the 2014 Ridge Road Water Main Extension Project. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Sneideman to increase P.O. 2014-2379 to Stantec Consulting Incorporated for the 2014 Ridge Road Water Main Project to Stantec Consulting Inc. in the amount of $22,100 for a total not-to-exceed $83,700. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-5.Consider Approval of a General Fund Budget Amendment to Engineering Right-Of-Way Maintenance. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to approve the following budget amendment to the General Fund: Increase Revenues: #101-000.695_0001 (Fund Balance Appropriation) $75,192; Increase Expenditures: #101-447-03.930_0050 (Maintenance & Repair Infrastructure) $75,192. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-6. Consider Bid Award For Exterior Painting Of The Bartlett-Travis House. (CLS)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the bid submitted by MasterCraft Coatings, Inc., 31376 Industrial Road, Livonia, MI 48150 to paint the exterior of the Bartlett-Travis House in the amount of $15,840 to be paid from Account #101-740.930_0020. Motion carried unanimously. **Item G-7.Consider Award Of Contract For State Government Lobby Services. (Supv)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Yack to award the contract for State Government Lobby Services to Capitol Services, Inc. and authorize the Township Supervisor and Legal Manager to negotiate an agreement with Capitol Services and upon negotiation of that agreement, for the Township Supervisor to sign on behalf of Canton Township, in an amount not to exceed $36,000/year. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the following budget amendment: Increase fund balance appropriation (101-000.695) for $21,000. Increase professional fees expense (101-200.801_0010) for $21,000. Motion carried unanimously. **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** None **OTHER:** Director Bilbrey-Honsowetz reminded the board of the Bark-in-the-Park Event on May 17 from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Also, the Farmers Market kicks off its season on May 17 from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (every Sunday rain or shine) at Preservation Park. On Sunday, May 31 the Second Community Volunteer Day for the Partnership for the Arts and Humanities at the cleaning up the property at the corner of Cherry Hill and Ridge. Treasurer McLaughlin commented River Day is Saturday, May 30. **ADJOURN:** Motion by Anthony, supported by Williams to adjourn at 7:53 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. **Terry G. Bennett, Clerk**

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Wayne - Westland

City unveils memorials to fallen fire fighters

It was a solemn crowd that gathered recently in Westland City Hall to mark the dedication of two memorial plaques for deceased firefighters.

Mayor William R. Wild spoke at the gathering of local officials, firefighters, police officers, and residents to dedicate the plaques, one to memorialize Todd Stanaway, a firefighter who died of cancer in 2008 and the other in memory of Brian Woelke, the only Westland firefighter to die in the line of duty. Woelke died as firefighters battled a blaze at a city restaurant on Ford Road, exactly two years before the dedication. While his death has been ruled a homicide due to arson at the business, there have been no arrests in the incident.

> *These two men unselfishly dedicated their lives to the firefighting profession putting service above self.*
> **Mayor William R. Wild**

Wild expressed his personal sorrow at the deaths of the two men and acknowledged their heroism and courage. He said the city recognizes the impact the losses of both the men made on the city and the Westland Fire Department.

"These two men unselfishly dedicated their lives to the firefighting profession putting service above self," Wild told the assembled crowd. "We express our condolences to their families for their significant loss and we honor their memories today as we dedicate these plaques to Todd Stanaway and Brian Woelke. Their service and commitment will never be forgotten."

Firefighters Union President Mitch Tokarski shared Wild's sentiments.

"The firefighters and union are pleased to donate the funds needed for these plaques and just as we were honored to work with these two fine public servants, we are honored to recognize them here today. Rest assured the Westland Fire Department will always be grateful to have counted Todd and Brian among our colleagues and friends.

"We, too, wish their loved ones all the best," said Tokarski.

The plaques are on display at Westland City Hall.

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All charges dropped against Wayne candidate

The last criminal charge facing Wayne City Council candidate Christopher Sanders, 46, has been dismissed by Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Alexis Glendening.

"My confidence in the judicial system has been rewarded," Sanders said. "I said from the beginning of this nightmare that I never did anything wrong. These allegations were patently false."

Sanders initially faced a litany of felony charges after a police report was filed in Wayne regarding the 2013 HalloWayne Pumpkin Carving Contest. The reported winner of the contest, Mike Spence, claimed that he did not enter the contest and never received the $1,000 cash prize. The police report, based on Spence's claims, alleged that Sanders put the $1,000 prize in his personal checking account after signing Spence's name as an endorsement. The contest was sponsored by Destination Wayne and the Wayne Chamber of Commerce.

A series of text messages between Spence and Sanders appeared to completely exonerate Sanders of all the claims made in the police report and contradict Spence's testimony in the matter. The messages were submitted to the prosecutors in the case, Sanders explained, and were proven legitimate.

"Once again, politically-motivated gossip prompted this malicious and unfounded prosecution," Sanders said. "I am strongly considering civil action against the people who went on record with these falsehoods, including Nicole Vargas who filed this spurious police report and Michael Spence who perjured himself in court."

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> **Christopher Sanders**

Five of the six charges in the case were almost immediately dismissed last year by Garden City District Judge Richard Hammer, Jr. who said that the elements of proof had not been met in the fraud charges. Hammer did allow the charge of identity theft related to the check for the prize money to go forward to circuit court.

A mistrial was declared on the identity theft charge earlier this year.

"This was another political witch hunt and this has attempted to do irreparable damage to my reputation," Sanders said. "People who know me stood by me during this entire ordeal and I will never forget the importance of their support, their belief in me and their trust in me. It meant more than I can say in the face of this ordeal.

"They have helped strengthen my resolve to continue to defend myself against these nasty, gossiping, unchristian bullies," he added.

Sanders recently announced his candidacy for the Wayne City Council in Ward One and will face resident Alfred Brock, a write-in candidate, for the seat.

Sanders was represented by Canton Township attorney Ronald Ruark.

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1. Obituaries

Hansen, Lucille Mae

Lucille Mae Hansen, formerly of Romulus, currently of Belleville, passed away on May 16, 2015 at the age of 80 with her family by her side.

Mrs. Hansen was born on March 12, 1935 in Detroit to the late Justus and Kathleen Federer. An active member of the American Legion Post 111 of Wayne, she served as post historian and was on the Executive Board. She dedicated her life to raising her family, but was also very active. She loved socializing, and playing Bingo and Bunco, as well as the work she did with the Legion.

She was the loving wife of the late James F. Hansen; cherished mother of Vera Ann (Jim) Parker and Shirley Mae Hansen; dear sister of Ruth M. (William) Wright, Nadine G. (Mark) Richman and the late Carole Ann Taylor; beloved grandmother of Joey and Nicole Nelski; dearest aunt of William and Wayne Wright and Catherine Wright- Volante. She is also survived by her loving friend and care provider Lydia Mullins. Arrangements entrusted to the Harry J. Will Funeral Home in Wayne.

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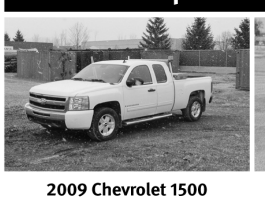
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BELLEVILLE - INKSTER - ROMULUS

Citizens Academy participants 'graduate'

Seventeen local residents recently graduated from the inaugural Citizens Academy.

The 14-week course was designed to strengthen the bond between the city Department of Public Safety and the community, according to a spokesman. Some of the class members are already active in Neighborhood Watch groups and wanted to continue to learn how to keep their neighborhood safe and cooperate with police.

The Citizens Academy offered Romulus residents and business owners a better understanding of the inner workings of both the police and fire departments through instruction in their histories and organizational structures, the spokesman continued. The police department shared the way crime patterns are predicted and analyzed, crime scene investigations, traffic enforcement, use of force and community policing techniques. Students in the academy also had the opportunity to interact with police canines and the police bomb robot, as well as tour the 911 center and use shooting simulators.

Firefighters provided a tour of their headquarters and gave interactive demonstrations of the specialized clothing and equipment utilized in firefighting and vehicle extrication. University of Michigan Survival Flight also participated in the academy by landing a helicopter for students to have a "hands on" experience while learning about the Emergency Medical Services offered within the community. Students were invited to attend the Fire Expo, a trade show, as well as an aside to their academy experience.

Seventeen Romulus residents recently celebrated their graduation from the Citizens Academy as local officials congratulated them on their accomplishment. A second session is planned this fall.

The April 15 graduation was the culmination of the Academy class, but graduates will likely continue to be called upon by department employees to serve as volunteers in various capacities, the city spokesman said.

Based on the success of the inaugural class, Romulus will continue the program with a second class currently being planned for this fall. Interested residents should contact the mayor's office (734) 942-7541 to register for the next session.

Settlement

FROM PAGE 1

strong message that any breech of ethics won't be tolerated," he said. "That's what people deserve and expect."

Thomas said that he had spoken with nearly every officer in the department and in his opinion the sworn officers were open and receptive to his ideas about training, equipment, a culture change and the direction of the department.

"They know what's expected," he said, "but I must say this. The things I heard about Inkster, I did not and have not seen. The negative stigma Inkster has received, just isn't deserved. This is a good department with good people."

He's a man who should know.

Thomas joined the Southfield Police Department on April 8, 1991. He served as the director of public safety in Albion and also worked at the Jackson Police Department.

Thomas has extensive training in police, fire and emergency management operations and is a graduate of the Michigan State Police School of Management, the National Fire Academy and the FBI National Academy, according to credentials listed on the Southfield website.

Thomas said he came to Inkster because Inkster "chose me."

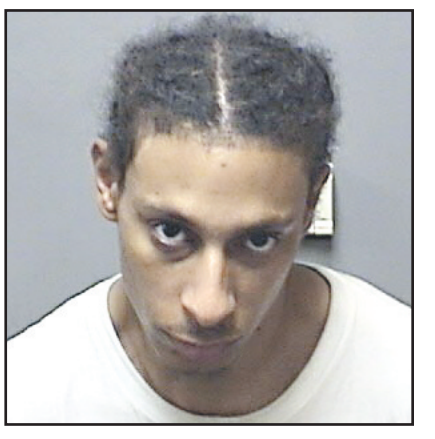
"I sent out six letters and Inkster was the first one to respond. Inkster called twice and Ferguson (Missouri) called me, but I had committed to Inkster.

"I'm duty bound by my oath to the state, the county and the City of Inkster to provide the best leadership I can for this department," he said.

Robbery suspect arrested

Tips from the public led Michigan State Police to a suspect in a recent armed robbery in Inkster.

According to Michigan State Police, Second District Special Investigation Section (SIS), Kyrrah Carter, 23, of Romulus, has been arrested and charged in the robbery and non-fatal shooting at the Marathon gas station at the intersection of Avondale and Inkster Road which occurred at 4:45 p.m. April 24.



Kyrrah Carter

Michigan State Police asked for help from the public in identifying a suspect seen on surveillance tapes. Tips led investigators to Carter, who was arraigned May 14 in the 20th District Court in Inkster on charges including assault with intent to murder, armed robbery, assault with intenet to do great bodily harm less than murder, felon in possession of firearm; assault with a dangerous weapon and felony firearms.

He received a $100,000 bond from the court.

State police said that without the cooperation of the Inkster Police Department and the public, the crime might have gone unsolved.

Art smart

The Belleville Area Council for the Arts awarded the 2015 Senior Art Scholarship to Somerton-Pheonix DeGraffenreid. DeGraffenreid is a senior at Belleville High School and she plans to use her award to further her education at Alma College. Arts Council President Doug Dalton presented DeGraffenreid with her award at the Belleville High School Senior Awards Night recently. Applications for the Class of 2016 Senior Art Scholarship Program will be available at the beginning of the 2015-2016 school year.

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Northville - Plymouth

City of Northville to request road millage

Voters in the City of Northville will have an extra issue on the Aug. 4 primary ballot.

Last week, members of the city council unanimously approved ballot language requesting a 2.25 mill levy dedicated to repair and improve streets, drainage and sidewalks in the city. If approved by voters, the cost to the average homeowner in Northville will be about $270 per year, based on a home assessed at $120,000 or with a market value of about $240,000. The question was prompted, in part, officials said by voters' rejection earlier this month of the state proposal increasing the sales tax to repair all state roads and bridges.

Northville residents currently pay a millage approved by voters in 1997 for streets, drainage and sidewalk improvements and maintenance. This dedicated millage is expected to bring in $584,000 in 2017. Plans are to use $368,000 of that revenue to improve streets, drainage and sidewalks while $25,000 will be used for the annual crack sealing program. Another $35,000 is earmarked for the sidewalk repair and replacement program and $156,000 will be spent for local and major street maintenance and operations.

The current estimate for needed street improvements is $1,337,000, which would be funded by revenue from the 2.25 mills on the August ballot, if voters approve the tax. The ballot language reads: "Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the City of Northville, Counties of Wayne and Oakland, Michigan be increased by 2.25 mills ($2.25 per thousand dollars of taxable value) for a period of fifteen (15) years, 2016 through 2030, as new additional millage in excess of the limitation imposed by Michigan Compiled Laws section 211.34d, to partially restore City Charter millage authorization previously approved by the electors as reduced by operation of the Headlee amendment, to provide funds for general operating purposes? It is estimated that 2.25 mills would raise approximately $753,000 when first levied in 2016."

Public funds for 'invitation only' party prompts questions

Don Howard
Staff Writer

Letters sent to businesses in Plymouth Township earlier this month soliciting donations for the annual Fourth of July picnic, fireworks and private party have prompted questions from residents about the propriety of using township funds to pay for what has become an invitation-only celebration, separate from the public event.

Treasurer Ron Edwards spearheads and organizes the celebration which includes a public fireworks display and picnic along with a far more upscale celebration open only to contributors and invited guests.

The solicitation letters request that donors make their checks payable to Plymouth Township, suggesting that the contributions are public funds.

If so, residents are asking, why is the private party hosted by Edwards restricted to invited-only guests? This year, it is estimated that about 700 guests will be invited to the pre-fireworks display event at the Hilltop Golf Course clubhouse on July 3, where beer, wine and food will be served.

The solicitation letter and invitation list obtained from Plymouth Township through a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request detailed potential donors, referred to as "prominent citizens or corporations" and set the minimum contribution level for the holiday fireworks party at $1,000. One township official called the party "the hottest ticket in town."

According to the letter, the designated Silver sponsors who donate $1,000 will receive six VIP passes for the pre-show party, premium parking and seating. Gold designated donors who contribute $3,000 will receive 20 passes and those who donate $5,000 and are named as Platinum donors will receive 36 passes.

The instructions are clear in the letter, directing donors to make checks payable to Charter Township of Plymouth. The letter ends with a typewritten, "Sincerely, Board of Trustees."

Rich Robinson, executive director of the Michigan Campaign Finance Network in Lansing said he was "stumped," when asked about the impropriety or legality of using of public funds to finance a private party. "You're talking about an appreciation party?..."I'm stumped," Robinson said in a telephone interview on Monday. "That's a really interesting question."

Auditors from Plante Moran have previously stated that the annual township picnic and fireworks is a township event, adding that donations can be earmarked for that purpose, but if the township solicits and collects funds for the event the contributions are under the same restrictions as all other public funds, which would indicate that the pre-fireworks party should be open to the public. Township attorney Kevin Bennett did not return calls seeking comment on the question.

Trustee Bob Doroshewitz said he agrees with the auditor that the event is an official township celebration. Doroshewitz and his family members were actively involved as volunteers with the event before he resigned from any and all duties connected with the celebration following a disagreement with Edwards regarding accounting procedures. "It's my understanding from Plante Moran that this is a township event," Doroshewitz confirmed in a recent phone interview.

Perturbed long-time township resident Sue Socca said she thought $1,000 donor limit for the fireworks party was "too high" and felt that regardless of the amount of money contributed, the party should be open to all donors.

"If you donate money, you should be invited. Period," Socca said.

Critics claim that contributions to the event are integral to doing business with the township.

One source close to the situation but leery of reprisals said that Edwards failed to renew the contract for the maintenance of the police vehicles from an established local auto dealership and moved the work to a competitor who donates to the fireworks event. Another informed local businessman and contributor who also wished to remain anonymous for fear of retribution said that this was symptomatic of the manner in which business is often done in the township.

Documentation from the 4th of July event last year indicates that Edwards collected $65,000 for the event and that $40,000 was spent on the fireworks display in McClumpha Park.

Bill Carter, 75, has lived in the township for 25 years and said he's "trying to be objective" about the treasurer's private 4th of July party.

"Donating to the picnic is one thing, but to receive favors for your donation is a whole different story," Carter said.

"You're bordering on favoritism, I don't think there should be a party for the donors... all the money collected should go to the community."

Dunning

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assets from $1 million to $40 million. In 1989, the board established the Margaret Dunning Scholarship Fund to honor her contributions to Plymouth.

She was awarded a full scholarship to the University of Michigan when she was 80 and said she would return to study business.

Mrs. Dunning was also famous across the country for her love of antique and collectable automobiles and was a regular driver at the Woodward Dream Cruise and the Michigan Concours d'Elegance. Her ability to care for her automobiles including changing the oil and spark plugs was admired and envied by many classic automotive experts.

She exhibited her perfectly restored 1930 Packard 740 Roadster in auto shows across the country including the California Concours d'Elegance where she chatted with Edsel Ford II and Henry Ford III about her recollections of Henry Ford, who was a neighbor of her family during her childhood.

State Rep. Kurt Heise lamented the passage of Mrs.Dunning and said her loss is one that will be deeply felt by the Plymouth community and many in Southeast Michigan.

"Margaret Dunning was an institution all herself," said Heise, R-Plymouth Township. "Even before coming to Plymouth, I knew her name and what she meant to the people in our town. She is irreplaceable, and she will be missed by all who knew her."

Heise said he often looked to Ms. Dunning as an example on how to be a better public servant.

"She never stopped listening, helping, contributing," Heise said, "To call her a model citizen would be a gross understatement. She embodied the spirit, independence, determination and productivity of the Plymouth community. Even with her passing, her zest for life lives on with the countless on whom she had a profound impact, including myself. I am honored to have known her."

Ms. Dunning was also remembered by former Plymouth Crier newspaper publisher W. Ed Wendover.

"Margaret Dunning was one of a kind," he said.

"I'm thankful to have learned so much from her while we served on the credit union board for many years and I enjoyed her friendship," he said.

"One of Plymouth, Michigan's finest moments was when our group went to Plymouth, England for the swearing in of the new Lord Mayor of Plymouth. There was a formal dinner, silver settings, Royal Marine Band playing for the 400-500 folks in the Guild Hall…

"Margaret held sway during the dinner with two members of Parliament, the Lord Mayor, publisher of the Plymouth, England newspaper and others about the economic relations between US/Britain, etc. She was the belle of the ball." Wendover said.

Final arrangements for Ms. Dunning have been entrusted to the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 S. Main St. in Plymouth but were not available at press time.

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